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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application

as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-21, without prejudice and substitute the following claims:

22. A method of conducting polymerizations in nonaqueous miniemulsions, comprising producing a miniemulsion from reactants of a polymerization in a nonaqueous fluid dispersing medium, using a surfactant and an osmotically

stabilizing component, and is reacted.



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